

# Machine-Level Programming

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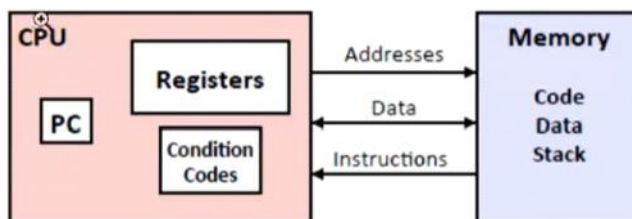
**Instruction Set Architecture:** the contract between software and hardware, where instructions lie (eg. mov)

**Microarchitecture:** ISA design and organization, include execution units, pipelining, cache architecture, control units

**Machine Code:** executable binary instruction

**Assembly Code:** The text form of Machine Code (eg. mov %rax %rbx)

## Assembly/Machine Code View



**Registers:** memory location given by name (eg. Rax). Small, fast storage locations directly within the CPU

**Memory:** array of addresses. All addresses store in it

```
*dest = t;
```

### ■ C Code

- Store value `t` where designated by `dest`

```
movq %rax, (%rbx)
```

### ■ Assembly

- Move 8-byte value to memory
  - Quad words in x86-64 parlance
- Operands:
  - `t`: Register `%rax`
  - `dest`: Register `%rbx`
  - `*dest`: Memory `M[%rbx]`

```
0x40059e: 48 89 03
```

### ■ Object Code

- 3-byte instruction
- Stored at address `0x40059e`

## Moving Data

### • Moving Data

`movq Source, Dest`

### • Operand Types

- **Immediate**: Constant integer data
  - Example: `$0x400`, `$-533`
  - Like C constant, but prefixed with `'$'`
- **Register**: One of 16 integer registers
  - Example: `%rax`, `%r13`
  - But `%rsp` reserved for special use
  - Others have special uses for particular instructions (later on that)
- **Memory**: 8 consecutive bytes of memory at address given by register
  - Simplest example: `(%rax)`
  - We will see various other "address modes" later.

`%rax`

`%rcx`

`%rdx`

`%rbx`

`%rsi`

`%rdi`

`%rsp`

`%rbp`

`%rN`

## movq Operand Combinations

	Source	Dest	Src, Dest	C Analog
movl	Imm	Reg	movq \$0x4, %rax	temp = 0x4;
		Mem	movq \$-147, (%rax)	*p = -147;
	Reg	Reg	movq %rax, %rdx	temp2 = temp1;
		Mem	movq %rax, (%rdx)	*p = temp;
	Mem	Reg	movq (%rax), %rdx	temp = *p;

*No memory-to-memory instruction*

## Example of Simple Addressing Modes

```
void swap (long *xp, long *yp)
{
    long t0 = *xp;
    long t1 = *yp;
    *xp = t1;
    *yp = t0;
}
```

```
swap:
    ... some setup code
    movq    (%rdi), %rax
    movq    (%rsi), %rdx
    movq    %rdx, (%rdi)
    movq    %rax, (%rsi)
    ... wrap-up code
    ret
```

## Understanding Swap()



```
swap:
    movq    (%rdi), %rax    # t0 = *xp
    movq    (%rsi), %rdx    # t1 = *yp
    movq    %rdx, (%rdi)    # *xp = t1
    movq    %rax, (%rsi)    # *yp = t0
    ret
```

# Complete Memory Addressing Modes

## ■ Most General Form

**D(Rb,Ri,S)                      Mem[Reg[Rb]+S\*Reg[Ri]+ D]**

- D:    Constant “displacement” 1, 2, or 4 bytes
- Rb:   Base register: Any of 16 integer registers
- Ri:   Index register: Any, except for `%rsp`
- S:    Scale: 1, 2, 4, or 8 (*why these numbers?*)

## ■ Special Cases

**(Rb,Ri)                      Mem[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]]**

**D(Rb,Ri)                      Mem[Reg[Rb]+Reg[Ri]+D]**

**(Rb,Ri,S)                      Mem[Reg[Rb]+S\*Reg[Ri]]**

`movq`: copy the data from one place, then move it to another.

`leaq`: put the effective address of the operand into the destination register

Calculate the address without actually access the memory location